

# Identifying Volunteer Opportunities



## Organizations Offering Youth Volunteer Opportunities:

- **American Red Cross**

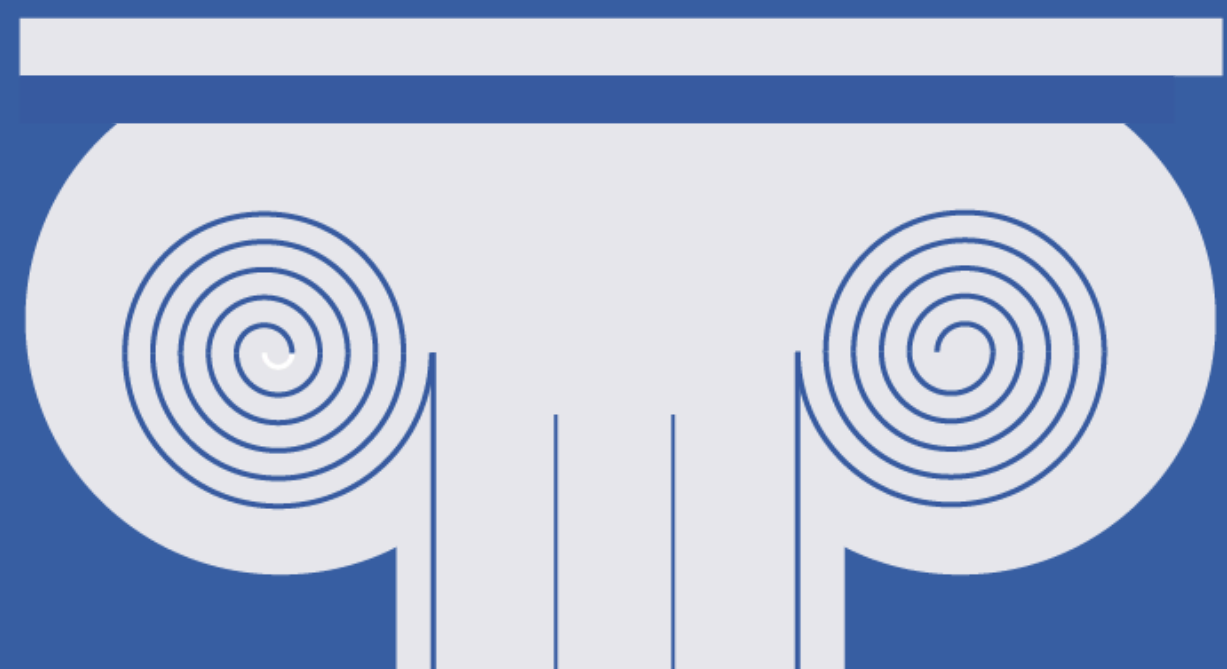
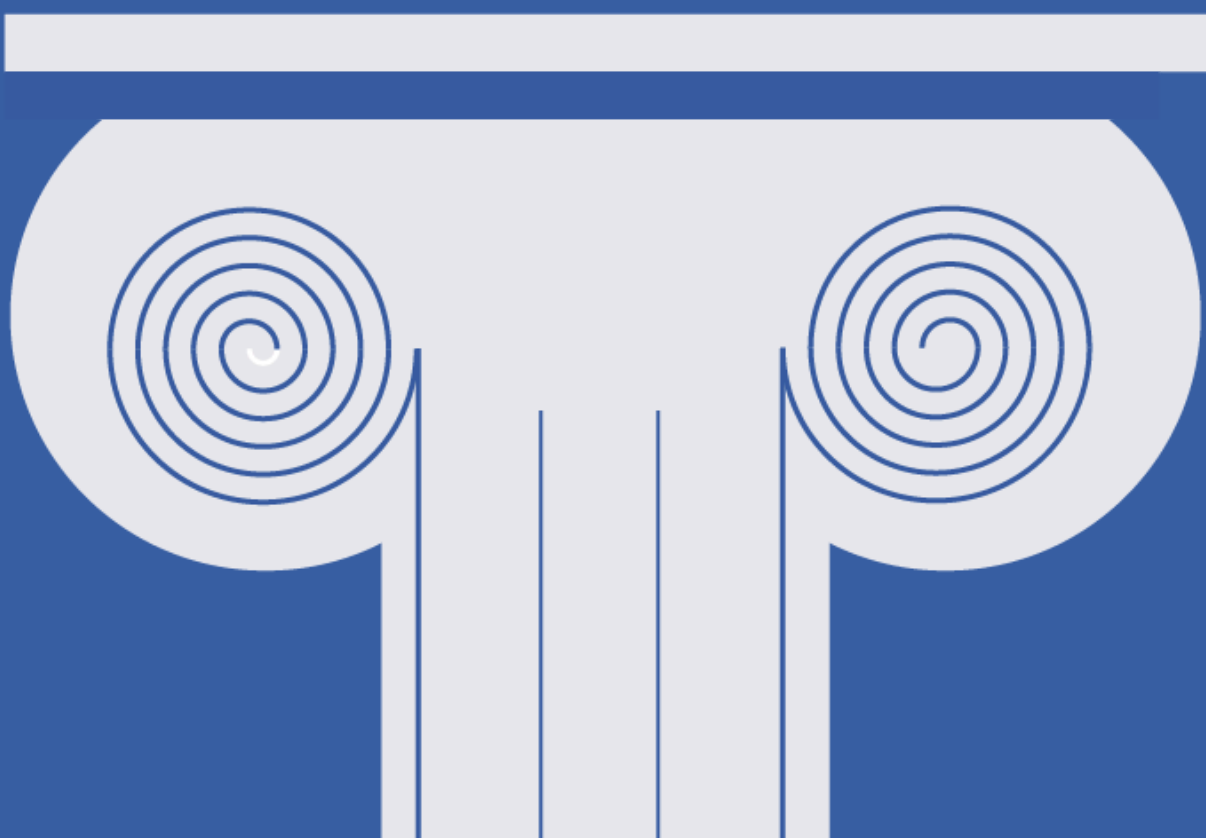
- The American Red Cross is a group that organizes blood donations and provides disaster relief (among many other things). Check out the youth volunteering opportunities listed online. You can even create a Red Cross Club at your school..

- **Habitat for Humanity**

- When volunteering with Habitat for Humanity, you can play a role in building up your community (literally). Their Habitat Youth Programs accept volunteers between the ages of 5 and 40 for everything from home construction to affordable housing advocacy

- **The Humane Society**

- The Humane Society fights against animal cruelty. You can find volunteer opportunities in your state, and help with phone banking, helping out at a local shelter, or get involved in outreach.



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- **Key Club**

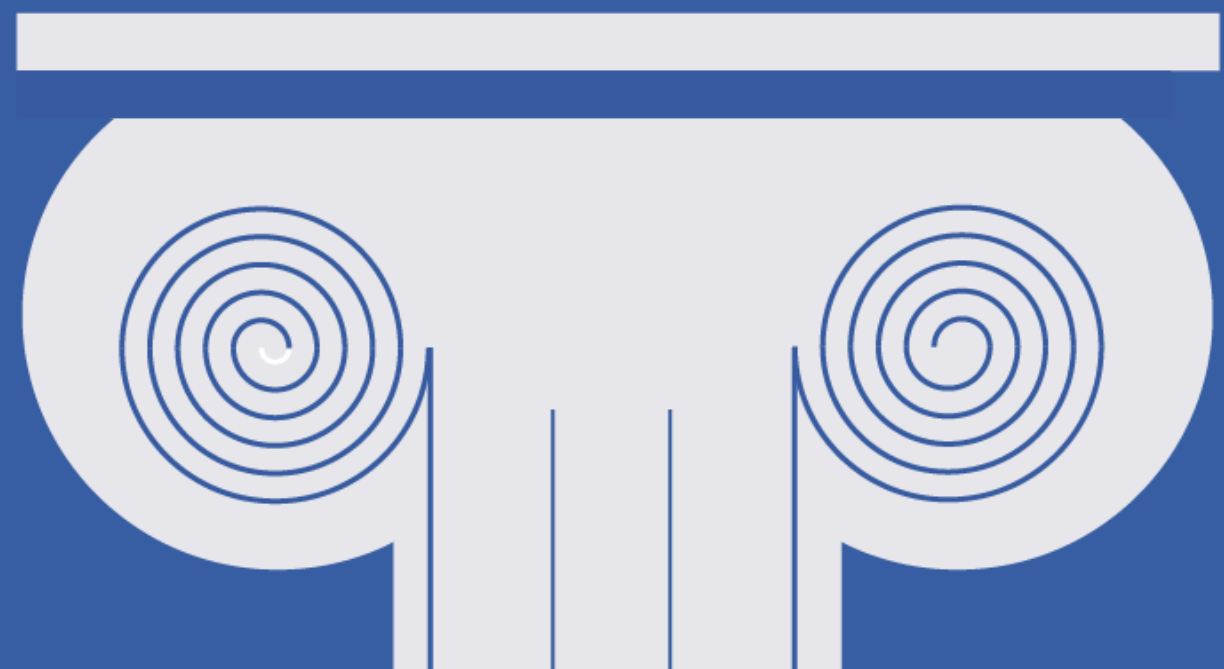
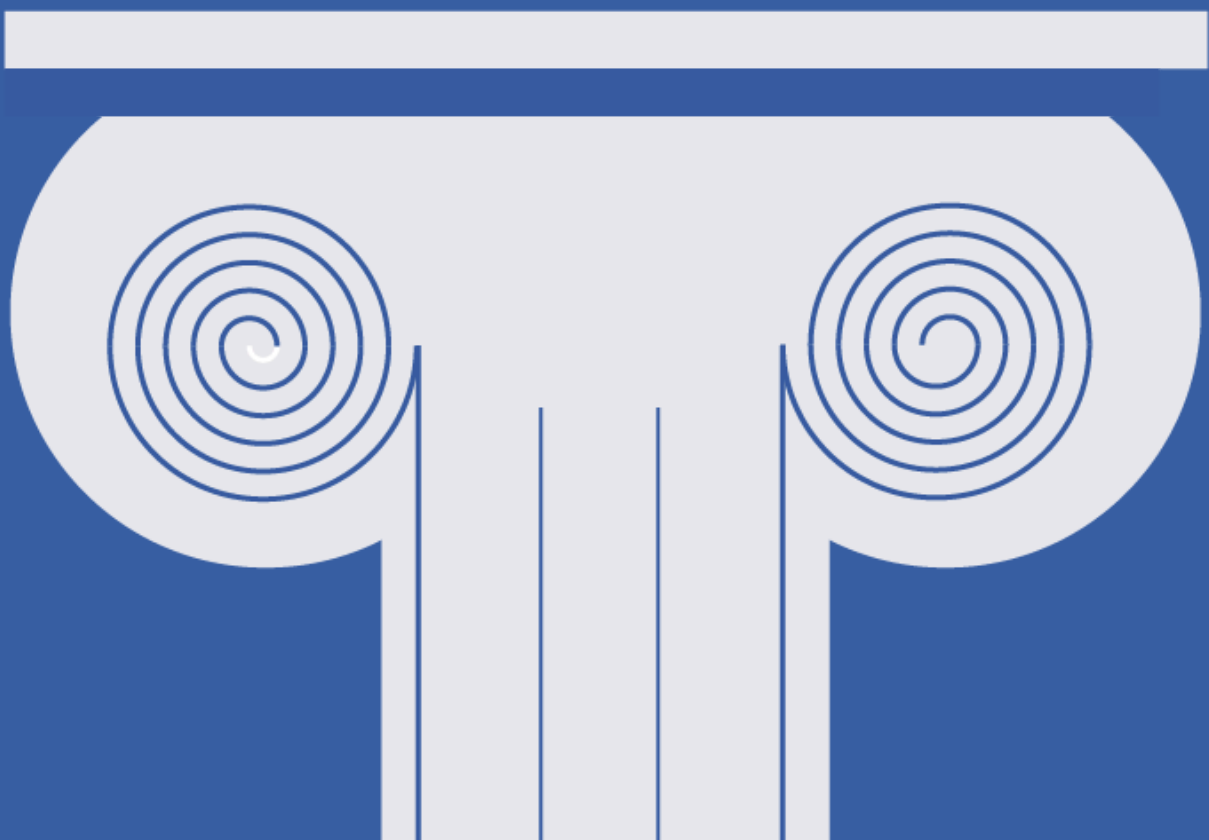
- The Key Club is the oldest service program for high schoolers and has played an instrumental role in getting teens involved in volunteering. Since Key Clubs are student-led, members get to choose the types of service projects that are taken on. Most likely, there's already a chapter in your school, but if not, you can create your own!

- **Meals on Wheels**

- Meals on Wheels' mission is to meet the nutritional and social needs of seniors. 225 million meals have been delivered so far -- connect with your local provider to find out how you can get involved!

- **Best Buddies**

- Best Buddies has a mission to help end the physical, social, and economic isolation of 200 million people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Join your school chapter (or create your own) to use friendship as a tool for inclusivity in your community.



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- **Sierra Club**

- There are over 3.5 million Sierra Club members fighting for the Earth! They even have a youth-specific Sierra Student Coalition that empowers teens and young adults volunteering for climate justice. Clean up outdoor spaces, lead nature outings, or lend your voice to environmental campaigns.

- **Easy-to-use websites where you can find volunteer opportunities near you\*:**

- [VolunteerMatch.org](https://www.volunteermatch.org)
- [Idealist.org](https://www.idealists.org)
- [Handsonnetwork.org](https://www.handsonnetwork.org)
- [Allforgood.org](https://www.allforgood.org)
- [DoSomething.org](https://www.dosomething.org)

\*\* These lists are not exhaustive of every volunteering opportunity available to you. We encourage you to use this as a starting point and continue to explore more on your own!

